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May 9, 1986

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Mr. Robert F. Kelly Associate Radiophysicist State of New York - Department of Labor 65 Court Street Buffalo, NY 14202

Subject: Umetco Minerals Corporation, Niagara Falls, NY

Dear Mr. Kelly.

Thank you for taking the time on Wednesday, May 7, 1986 to discuss with Bob Beverly and me our plans to complete the cleanup of radioactive material found in the Niagara Plant After my letter of March 25 to you, we obtained samples of the areas in question and submitted these to EDA Instruments Inc in Colorado for radiochemical analyses. That results shown in Table 1 were the basis for our discussion

I was concerned that we may have been misinterpreting Industrial Code Rule 38 but you kindly gave us a copy of an Inter-Office memo from Dr Bradley to you dated March 26, 1982 which specified the limits for source material This memo is appended

A Material from Pit in Building 24

A gamma radiation level of 170 μ R/hr prompted us to remove the illmenite sand that had been used to backfill a 9'-6" x 10' concrete pit in Building 24. The pit was much deeper than anticipated and we filled one hundred twenty-five 55-gallon drums before reaching a depth of 9 feet. Subsequently when we received the results of the analyses (Samples 40-6 and 40-7) it was evident that the material contained less than 500 parts per million of combined uranium and thorium. This, coupled with a gamma radiation level well below 250 μ R/hr, led to the conclusion that this material did not exceed the "Limits for Uncontrolled Areas" as specified in Table 5 of Code Rule 38. You concurred with this conclusion

As we discussed, I plan to use this material as partial fill for a low area in the yard east of No 6 Furnace Building. The pit will be backfilled with fresh soil or sand. However, as agreed, I will not proceed with this plan until after May 15 to allow you time to think more about it and possibly confer with Dr Bradley

B. Slag East of No 6 Furnace Building

This is what you refer to as the "rock area" in your Investigative Report of March 26 (appended). Since that date we were able to move the slag pile and found that it was the slag itself and not the ground that was radioactive. As we discussed I was puzzled at the relatively high reading of Th-230 in Samples 40-3 and 40-4 Because the Th-230 is in the decay chain of U-238 I would have expected the uranium analyses to be appreciably higher. The explanation is probably that some uranium oxide impurity was inadvertently introduced to a few vanadium aluminum furnace heats and the uranium passed on to the metal and the thorium went with the slag

As Bob Beverly discussed, although the Th-230 analyses were 299 and 466 ρ Ci/g, these represent very small quantities of the pure nuclide (1.53 x 10^{-8} and 2 39 x 10^{-8} grams of Th-230 per gram of slag). The calculations are included as Appendix 3

Again, since this material contains much less than .05% source material and the radiation is less than 250 μ R/hr it need not be controlled I also plan to dispose of it as fill in the yard east of Furnace Room 6.

C Slag and Soil Contamination South of Furnace No 30

Sample 40-5 was taken from the slag that had been splattered south of Furnace No. 30 Years ago this furnace had been used to prepare ferrocolumbium. As can be seen, the uranium at 389 μ g/g is approaching the 500 μ g/g limit and the Th-232 at 241 pCi/g is well above the 55 ρ Ci/g limit. Seventeen (17) 55-gallon drums of material were removed from around the furnace. Samples 41-2 and 41-3 taken after the cleanup are well within the uncontrolled limits

D Sample from North of Furnace No 30

As can be seen from the analyses of Sample 41-1 (Th-232 at 139 $\rho\text{Ci/g})$ the cleanup was not complete in this area. An additional three 55-gallon drums of material were removed and the gamma radiation dropped from 120 $\mu\text{R/hr}$ to about about 35 to 40 $\mu\text{R/hr}$ I am convinced we have successfully reduced the radiation to limits for uncontrolled areas. I will defer backfilling until you, as a representative for the Department of Labor, take confirmation samples

I plan to immediately begin the paper work to secure space and a permit for burial, either at Barnwell, SC or Richland, WA We will dispose of the material removed from the area surrounding Furnace No 30 as well as the samples in cans that you refer to in your report of March 1986

As you know, we are quite anxious to obtain the results of the wipe tests and soil samples taken on Elkem property that hopefully will allow termination of License 210-0090 and License 950-0139 I was pleased to hear that you will have them designated as top priority and will communicate the results to me as soon as you obtain them

Again I want to thank you for a very pleasant and helpful meeting

Very truly yours,

Donald J. Hansen

cc Mr. R G. Beverly Mr F. V. McMillen

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TABLE 1 Radiochemical Analyses of Samples From the Niagara Plant

		URANIUM	Analy SERIES	THORIUM S	SERIES	Gamma
Sample		Uranium	Th-230	Th-232	Th-228	Radiation
<u>No</u>	<u>Description</u>	μg/g	pC1/g	pC1/g	pC1/q	_μR/hr*
Book 2446	Code Rule 38 Limit	[500]	**	[55]	***	[250]
A 40-6 40-7	Bldg 24 (VAl) Top of Pit	28.9	12±2	16±2	17±2	170
1 40-7	Bldg. 24 7' Depth in Pit	44 3	22±2	37±2	39±3	150
- lan 3	Dark Slag-Yard East of Fce Bldg	20 2	299±7	16±2	40±9	150
B 40-3 40-4	Light Slag-Yard East of Fce Bldg	18 6	466±9	37±3	14±2	200
40-5	Slag Before Digging South of	389	186±6	241±7	241±7	200-420
	Furnace 30					
C 41-2	Sample in Front of Fce 30 After Cleanup	68 4	19±2	35±3	35±3	40
41-3	Sample from Southwest of	24 9	7 6 2±1 1	9 6±1 3	9.5±1.3	30
ı	Furnace 30 After Cleanup		5.9±1 1	8 5±1.3	9 2±1 33	
41-1	Sample from North Support of	122	76±4	139±5	145±5	120
D	Fce. 30 After Cleanup Area of North Support of Fce 30 After Second Cleanup	-	-	-	-	35-40

^{*}Ludlum Model 19 Micro R Meter - Reading at surface of location where sample was taken ** ρ Ci/g equivalent to 05% (500 ppm) calculated to be 9 7 x 10⁶ *** ρ Ci/g equivalent to 05% (500 ppm) calculated to be 4 1 x 10¹¹

INTER-OFFICE MEMORANDUM

To R. Kelly

Date March 26, 1982

Office RHU

From

F.J. Bradley

Office RHU

Subject

Union Carbide/Niagara Falls

Based on your survey of December 1, 1981 and the attached results, issue supplemental Notice of Inspection Findings and include our survey results. Require clean up to Table 5 limits within a specified time span. Contact Radiation Safety Officer to arrive at mutually agreable clean up time schedule.

Union Carbide's internal memo dated October 31, 1981 confirms our results and that they are aware of their responsibilities. All we need now is a clean up schedule.

Code Rule 38, Table 5 limits are as follows:

U-nat: 200pCi, U-nat gram of soil

Th-nat 55 pLi, Th-nat gram of soil

We need to rely on their results with mixed U/Th contamination. I circled soil contamination values above 200 pEi/g (assuming all U-nat).

F.J. Bradley, Ph.D. Principal Radiophysicist

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APPENDIX 2



STATE OF NEW YORK DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

STATE OFFICE BUILDING 65 COURT STREET BUFFALO NY 14202

INVESTIGATIVE REPORT

Umetco	- 47th	and Royal	Avenues,	Nıagara Falls	
Report	prepared	by Robert	F. Kelly	on 25 MAR 86.	
Report	reviewed	by		on	

On 20 MAR 86 after obtaining soil samples on the Umetco property, Dr. Richard Hanson related to me possible "problem" areas when he performed an external radiation survey of the plant facilities a short time ago.

There are four possible problem areas; all seem minor since external readings almost at contact showed levels at about 3-5 times background.

These are described below:

- A) "Rock area" outside Building 24 -- This area shows some potential for a bigger problem; rocks on frozen grounds showed the readings mentioned above. Warmer weather will let facility determine what is under these piles.
- B) Number 6 Furnace Room in Building 77 Area shows slight contamination; its mainly on surface and doesn't seem to be a big problem.
- C) Building 24 -- dust near furnace. Again doesn't seem to be a big hazard.
- D) Samples in cans -- Now located in caged area in Building 25, they will be shipped as radioactive waste.

As related to Dr. Hansen, samples are to be analyzed in all three areas listed above and results sent to the Department. If within the limits, the Department will resurvey premises to insure compliance with Coderule 38.

Robert Kelly Associate Radiophysicist

APPENDIX 3

Conversion of pCi to g

Specific Activity =
$$\frac{1.13 \times 10^{13}}{TA}$$
 curries per gram of pure nuclide

Where T = half life in seconds

A = mass number

For Th-230

$$T = 8.0 \times 10^4 \text{ years} = 8.0 \times 10^4 \times 3.15 \times 10^7 = 2.52 \times 10^{12} \text{ seconds}$$

 $A = 230$

Specific Activity per Gram of Th-230 =
$$\frac{1.13 \times 10^{13}}{2.52 \times 10^{12} \times 230}$$
 = 0195 Ci = .0195 x 10¹² = 1 95 x 10¹⁰ ρ Ci

Sample
$$40-3$$
 299 ρ C1/g

$$\frac{299 \ \rho \text{C1/g}}{1 \ 95 \ x \ 10^{10} \ \rho \text{C1/g Th-230}} = 1 \ 53 \ x \ 10^{-8} \text{g Th-230/g}$$

$$\frac{466 \rho C1/g}{1.95 \times 10^{10} \rho C1/g \text{ Th}-230} = 2.39 \times 10^{-8}g \text{ Th}-230/g$$

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To (Name)

Mr D. G. Millenbruch Umetco Minerals Corporation

Danbury, CT

Date April 15, 1986

Originating Dept TECHNOLOGY

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Division

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Area

Answering Letter Date

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Messrs

R G. Beverly/R Jones

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W D Smith

Subject Niagara Plant Radioactive Material License 950-0139

The purpose of this letter is to bring you up-to-date on four areas within the Niagara Plant that were found to have levels of radioactivity well above background

For your convenience, I am appending my letter of March 25, 1986 to Mr R F Kelly of the New York State Department of Labor which identifies the four areas and outlines a plan for decontamination

Subsequently it became obvious that the magnitude of the task was far greater than originally assumed.

In cleaning up the area around No 30 furnace we filled seventeen 55-gallon drums We had Mr. William Smith, Radiation Officer for Linde, and acting radiation officer for the Niagara Plant take samples and check them for alpha and alpha beta gamma radiation in his lab at Tonawanada The activity suggested the cleanup was not complete

The radiation in Building 24 (V-Al) came from a 9'6" x 10' concrete pit that was filled with a black sand that we later identified as primarily illmenite This pit seemed endless; we discontinued the operation after removing one hundred twenty six 55-gallon drums and reaching a depth of 9 In addition, the pit was found to extend beneath the floor of the V-Al operation.

The third area, which we assumed was contaminated soil beneath a slag pile turned out to be radiation from the slag itself The amount of radioactive slag is small in comparison to the thousands of tons piled in the yard and fortunately is confined to a small area. So far we have not determined just how much slag we are talking about but I suspect it is not more than 100 tons. Even this amount presents problems in packaging for disposal

The extent of the contamination in Area 4 which is on L-Tec leased property is unknown at this time. The gamma radiation increases from 200 $\mu R/hr$ at the surface to about 600 $\mu R/hr$ at a depth of one foot

To help in the assessment of our problem, ten (10) samples were submitted to EDA Laboratories in Colorado for radium, uranium and thorium analyses. The sample identification and results are reported in the attached Table 1 Before commenting on the analyses, I draw your attention to the State of New York, Department of Labor, Industrial Code Rule 38 that specifies what is required to terminate a license. Section 38 11, 38 29, Table 5 and Table 2 which pertain to this are reproduced and included as Appendix One

Briefly, to terminate a license the Commissioner of the Department of Labor has to be notified; all radioactive material must be shipped to an approved recipient; the premises must be decontaminated and surveyed to show decontamination took place; and the survey must be verified by the State Source material (uranium and thorium) must be reduced to 0.05 percent by weight to meet decontamination (This is 500 ppm or 500 $\mu g/g$.) For non-source material for which we are not licensed, the levels are specific for each element e.g. for radium the exempt concentration is 0.1 pico currie per gram

Returning to Table 1, it can be seen that none of the samples exceed 500 ppm of uranium (results reported in $\mu g/g$) 500 ppm of Thorium 232 would have an activity of 55 pCi/g (or each pCi represents about 9ppm) Thus it can be seen there are several samples that contain thorium in excess of that required for decontamination Looking at samples from each of the areas.

L-Tec. Samples 40-1, 40-2

The sample taken at one foot depth is out of compliance We have made no attempt to determine the amount of soil that is contaminated

Slag Pile East of No 6 Furnace Room, Samples 40-3, 40-4

The Thorium 230 which is in the Uranium 238 decay chain is very high and obviously not in equilibrium with uranium or Radium 226. The Laboratory also found peaks in their analyses that suggest the presence of Thorium 229 (does not occur naturally). This suggests to me that some radioactive material may have been unknowingly introduced into one or more of the vanadium furnace heats and all or part ended up in the slag. This falls into the category of non-licensed material and possibly we need a ruling on it

Furnace No 30, Samples 40-5, 41-1, 41-2, 41-3

Sample 40-5 is a sample of slag taken from the south of Furnace 30 before we attempted to clean the area. As we suspected it was high in thorium which was present in the pyrochlor ores used in this furnace to make nickel columbium and ferro-columbium.

Sample 41-1 tells us we have more cleanup to do around the north furnace support. This is a difficult job because access to the support is restricted and also because the slag has penetrated between some of the brick supports

TABLE 1

RADIOCHEMICAL ANALYSES OF SAMPLES FROM THE NIAGARA PLANT

BY EDA LABORATORIES - WHEATRIDGE, COLORADO

APRIL 10, 1986

ANALYSES Thorium Ra 226 232 Uranium 230 228 (229)*Description Sample No. pC1/g <u>pC1/g</u> pC1/g pC1/g (pC1/g)Surface Sample - L-Tec Property 2446-40-1 14±2 34 7 36±3 15±2 38±3 2446-40-2 Sample for 1' Deep - L-Tec Property 33 ± 3 33 8 74±4 25±2 74±4 2446-40-3 Dark Slag - East of No 6 Furnace 4 4±1.1 20 2 16±2 299±7 4 0±.9 17±2 Building Light Slag - East of No 6 Furnace 2446-40-4 7 0±1 4 18 6 37 ± 3 466±9 14±2 40±3 Building Slag Before Digging - South of 2446-40-5 550±10 389 241±7 186±6 241±7 No 30 Furnace 2446-40-6 Sample from Top of Pit - Building 19±2 28 9 16±2 12±2 17±2 No 24, V-A1 2446-40-7 37 ± 3 Sample from Approximate 5' Depth - 31 ± 3 44 3 22±2 39 ± 3 Building No. 24, V-Al 2446-41-1 Sample from North Furnace Support -180±10 122 139±5 76±4 145±5 Furnace No 30 After Cleanup Sample from Ground in Front of 2446-41-2 42±3 68 4 35 ± 3 19±2 35±3 Furnace No 30 After Cleanup 2446-41-3 Sample from Southwest Area of 43±3 24 9 9 6±1 3 6 2±1 1 9 5±1 3 Furnace No 30 After Cleanup 8 5±1 3 5 9±1 0 9 2±1 3**

^{*}Th229 (not positively identified)

^{**}Duplicate Analyses

Samples 41-2 and 41-3 indicate the soil to the front and rear of the furnace contains less than 500 ppm combined uranium and thorium and as such meets requirements for uncontrolled access

Pit in Building No. 24 (V-Al), Samples 40-6, 40-7

The material removed from the pit in Building 24 analyses less than 500 ppm combined uranium and thorium. However gamma radiation next to a drum will read 150 μ R/hr. I believe we will need a ruling on whether we have to dispose of it in an authorized repository or can leave it in the yard. The pit is still not completely clean with radiation of about 50 μ R/hr above the pit and about 150 μ R/hr. at the surface 9 feet down. Background is about 9μ R/hr

I have made the assumption that Radium 226, a decay product of Uranium 238, is at levels consistent with the uranium present and would not be out of line with the 500 ppm source material allowed by New York State Lee Evans does not agree with me and suspects the state will retreat to the NRC guidelines for unrestricted use. I have mailed Bob Beverly as copy of the New York State Industrial Code Rule 38 for his interpretation

We are faced with the decision on how to proceed (1)Umetco could elect not to proceed with license termination but then would be responsible for periodic license renewal, inspections, proof of financial responsibility, etc and would be unable to sell the property, (2)Umetco could apply to have the license amended so that the area leased to Elkem, hopefully satisfactorily decontaminated, could be excluded from the license, or (3) Umetco could decide to push for license termination. If the third option is selected we will have to better define the problem and spell out the decontamination procedure in far more detail than in my letter of March 25, 1986 to R F Kelly.

Hopefully we can tackle this on your planned visit next week

Sincerely.

D. J Hansen

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March 25, 1986

Mr. Robert F. Kelly, Senior Radiologist Occupational Safety & Health State of New York - Department of Labor 65 Court Street Buffalo, NY 14202

Subject: Termination of Radioactive Materials License 950-0139

Dear Mr Kelly.

On March 20, when you obtained soil samples to verify the cleanup of the property behind Building 166 on Elkem leased property, I informed you that we had discovered additional areas within the Niagara Plant that had above background radiation. The purpose of this letter is to document our conversation and to make certain that we take the steps necessary for the termination of License No. 950-0139

An environmental audit of the Niagara Plant was scheduled in conjunction with the leverage buy out of Umetco's vanadium and tungsten businesses. In preparation for this, Al Gonas and I completed a gamma survey of the various buildings and grounds on the Niagara site. We found four areas with radiation significantly above background In addition, the radioactivity of a number of samples stored in quart sized cans was confirmed

The location of the radioactivity and the levels of radiation observed are shown in Table I

TABLE I

AREAS IN NIAGARA PLANT SIGNIFICANTLY ABOVE BACKGROUND

Date Surveyed	Location	Background	Maximum Reading	Times Background
2/12/86	Bldg 29 (#6 Fce Rm) - I-beam south of 30 Fce - Trunion support north of 30 Fce	5-10 μR/hr	200 μR/hr 420 μR/hr	20 4 2
2/18/86	Bldg. 24 (V-Al) - Area below dust collector	8-13 μR/hr	170 μR/hr	15
2/20/86	Yard East of #6 Fce. Rm - 6' x 6' Areas near slag pile	8-12 μR/hr	200 μR/hr	20
2/20/86	Yard East of #6 Fce Rm - 2' x 2' area near Bldg 191		210 μR/hr	20

The surveys were completed with a Ludlum Model 19 Micro R Meter calibrated on September 26, 1984 (Accuracy checked by comparison with an alpha, beta, gamma meter - Nuclear Chicago Model 2650 - March 21, 1986)

The dates the buildings of the Niagara Plant were surveyed and the background radiation observed are contained in Table II. More detailed information is contained in Laboratory Notebook 2446.

TABLE II

RADIATION SURVEY OF NIAGARA PLANT
Ludlum Model 19 - Micro R Meter

<u>Date</u>	Buildings	Background	Comments
2/12/86	29, 30, 77 (Fce Rm. #6)	5-10 μR/hr	Area next to Fce 30 above background
2/14/86	25, 71, (UCAR, GLOBAR)	8-10 μR/hr	Some sample cans >1mR/hr
	32 (# 2 Packing)	8-10 μR/hr	OK OK
2/14/86	89, 89A (#10 Packing)	8-10 μR/hr	OK
2/18/86	24, 87 (Vanadium Aluminum)	8-13 μR/hr	Area below Dust Coll above background
2/20/86	(Storage Shed N W Corner of Umetco Property)	8-12 μR/hr	OK
2/25/86	7 (Storeroom)	8-10 μR/hr	OK
2/25/86	6 (Maintenance Office, Electrical & Carpenter Shops)	8-10 μR/hr	OK
2/25/86	82, 82A (Machine Shop, Sheet Metal)	8-10 μR/hr	OK
2/27/861	13, 14 (Aux Storeroom, Drum Shop, #8 Packing)	10-12 μR/hr	OK
3/14/86	111 (Eng Annex-Works Lab)	15-17 μR/hr.	OK
3/14/86	3 (Compressor Bldg)	7-8 μR/hr.	όκ

The plan for decontamination that I reviewed with you was as follows:

- Remove and store the contaminated material in suitable containers. ١.
- Sample the areas, (either soil or surface wipes depending on which 2. applies) and submit them to a qualified laboratory to identify the sources of the radiation and to confirm the radioactivity has been lowered to acceptable levels.
- Transport the contaminated material together with the radioactive samples 3. from Building 25 to an approved burial site under the supervision of a qualified broker.
- Provide the Department of Labor with the analytical results and documentation that the material has been removed from the site and has been accepted for burial
- Make arrangements for the Department of Labor to obtain samples to verify 5. that the decontamination was satisfactory.

At the time of your visit we had begun to cleanup the area in the vicinity of Furnace No 30 (contaminated slag and soil were being placed into 55-gallon This has been completed and we are now working on cleaning up the area in Building 24

I would like to draw to your attention that the last amendment to License 950-0139 that I have on record is listed as No 9, dated March 1979, expiration date November 1981 However, I have a copy of a letter dated November 17, 1984 which requests transfer of License 950-0139 from Union Carbide to Umetco Minerals addressed to Mr. George Kasyk of the New York Department of Labor I expect that with our continuing efforts to terminate the license, issuance of the amendments is not a high priority

If you need more information please contact me. If I do not hear from you I will proceed according to the plan outlined above

Very truly yours,

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cc: Messrs:

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APPENDIX ONE

EXCERPTS FROM INDUSTRIAL CODE RULE 38, STATE OF NEW YORK, DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

[38 11]

- 38 11 Duration of licenses Except as below provided, a license shall expire at the end of the expiration date therein stated. The filing of an application by the licensee more than 30 days prior to the expiration date for a renewal or a new and superseding license shall extend the license until the commissioner has finally acted on the application. If a licensee fails to renew his license, he must immediately cease all use of radioactive materials, transfer all radioactive material to authorized recipient(s) and comply with the requirements of Section 38 29 of this Part (rule). To terminate a license, licensee must notify commissioner, transfer all radioactive materials to authorized recipient(s) and comply with the provisions of Section 38 29 of this Part (rule).
- 38 12 Renewal of licenses An application for a renewal of a license shall be made on a form prescribed by the commissioner Renewal of a license may be denied on any of the grounds specified in this Part (rule) for the issuance of licenses or for the suspension or revocation of licenses. Notwithstanding the renewal of a license, the commissioner may suspend or revoke a license for cause or violations occurring during the license period immediately preceding the issuance of the renewal
- 38 13 Amendment of licenses A corrective amendment of a license may be made by the commissioner at any time upon his initiative or at the request of the licensee. Upon the licensee's written request the commissioner may amend a license in any respect consistent with this Part (rule). Every license may be amended by the commissioner upon any ground for which he might deny, suspend or revoke such license.
- 38 14 Suspension or revocation The Commissioner may revoke or suspend any license, or approval, in whole or in part, for
- (a) Any material misstatement in the application therefor or in any supplementary statement thereto,
- (b) Any condition revealed by such application, supplementary statement, report, record, inspection or other means which would warrant the commissioner to refuse to grant a license or approval on an original application, or
- (c) Any violation or failure to observe any of the applicable terms or provisions of a license, an approval, the Labor Law, this Part (rule) or any other applicable law, rule, regulation, code or order
- 38 15 Additional requirements. Notwithstanding any exemption set forth in this Part (rule), the commissioner may by order, as part of a license or otherwise, make such specific requirements, in addition to those set forth in this Part (rule), as may be reasonably appropriate

timers shall be maintained in good repair and proper operating condition and shall be checked at least every six months or at such intervals as may be required by the commissioner

- 38 27 Enclosed controlled areas Any enclosed controlled area with any access opening large enough for the passage of any person shall have such opening provided with an exit door which can be opened manually from the inside or by such other means approved by the commissioner
- 38 28 Eating, drinking or smoking No person shall permit eating, drinking or smoking in any airborne radioactivity area or in any controlled area with surface contamination above the limits specified in Table 5 of this Part (rule)
- 38 29 Vacating installations and property (a) Installations Each licensee before vacating any installation, or transferring the premises containing such installation, shall permanently decontaminate such installation and premises below or equal to the limits specified in Table 5 of this Part (rule) A survey shall be made after such decontamination and the commissioner and andlord or subsequent tenant or transferee shall be provided with a copy of such survey. No such installation or premises shall be vacated, sold or transferred until the decontamination survey has been verified and accepted by the commissioner.
- (b) Property No machinery, instruments, laboratory equipment or any other property used in contact with or in close proximity to radioactive material in a licensed installation shall be assigned, sold, leased or transferred to an unlicensed person unless such property has been permanently decontaminated below or equal to the limits specified in Table 5 of this Part (rule) A survey shall be made after such decontamination and the commissioner and subsequent transferree or owner shall be provided with a copy of such survey. No such property shall be assigned, sold, leased or transferred until such decontamination survey has been verified and accepted by the commissioner.
- 38 30 Personnel monitoring equipment Every person who possesses a radiation source shall apply appropriate calibrated and operable personnel monitoring equipment to, and in case of film badge and thermoluminescent dosimeters which are processed by a laboratory or firm which is currently accredited by the United States National Bureau Standards under their National Voluntary Laboratory Accreditation Program, and shall require the use of such equipment by, each individual whom such person suffers or permits to enter

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TABLE 5 LIMI'S FOR UNCONTROLLED AREAS

(1) Alpha emitters	16 pCl	33 dpm	average over any
(i) Removable	15_pCl = 100 cm		one surface
	45 pCl =	100 dpm	maximum
(11) Total (fixed)		1000 dpm 100 cm	average over any one surface
	2250 pCı 100 cm²	= 5000 dpm 100 cm ²	maximum
	0 25 mrem at	1 cm	
(2) Beta-Gamma emitters (1) Removable	100 pCı		average over any
(all beta gamma emitters except	100 cm ²		one surface
Hydrogen 3)	500 pC1		maximum
Removable	100 cm 1000 pC1		average over any
(Hydrogen 3)	100 cm ² 5000 pC1		one surface maximum
(11) Total (fixed)	199 cm²	, surfac	ce

(b) Concentrations in air and water Table 6, Schedule II

(1) Concentrations in soil and other materials except water

(1) Radioactive material except source material Table 2, Column 2

(2) Source material 0 05 per cent by weight L-1

Note Jurisdictional limits. The limits listed in Table 5 of this Part (rule) shall apply to those installations and property that remain subject to the jurisdiction of the Labor Law and this Part (rule)

TABLE 2 EXEMPT CONCENTRATIONS

Element (atomic number)	Isotope	Column 1 Gas con- centration µCi/ml*	Column 2 Liquid and solid con- centration µCi/ml**
Antimony (51)	Sb 122		3 × 10-4
	Sb 124		2×10^{-4}
	Sb 125		1×10^{-3}
Argon (18)	A 37	1×10^{-3}	
	A 41	4×10^{-7}	
Arsenic (33)	A s 73		5×10^{-3}
	A s 74		5×10^{-4}
	A s 76		2×10^{-4}
	As 77		8×10^{-4}
Barium (56)	Ba 131		2×10^{-3}
	Ba 140		3×10^{-4}
Beryllium (4)	Be 7		2×10^{-2}
Bismuth (83)	B ₁ 206		4×10^{-4}
Bromine (35)	Br 82	4×10^{-7}	3×10^{-3}
Cadmium (48)	Cd 109		2×10^{-3}
	Cd 115m		3×10^{-4}
	Cd 115		3×10^{-4}
Calcium (20)	Ca 45		9 × 10-3
	Ca 47		5 × 10-4
Carbon (6)	C 14	1×10^{-6}	8 × 10-3
Cerium (58)	Ce 141		9 × 10-4
	Ce 143		4 × 10-4
	Ce 144		1 × 10-4
Cesium (55)	Cs 131		2×10^{-2}
	Cs 134m		6 × 10 ⁻²
	Cs 134		9×10^{-3} 2×10^{-4}
Chlorena (17)	Cs 137 C1 38	9 × 10 ⁻⁷	4×10^{-3}
Chlorine (17)	Cr 51	9 X 10	$\frac{4 \times 10^{-2}}{2 \times 10^{-2}}$
Chromium (24)	Co 57		$\begin{array}{c} 2 \times 10 \\ 5 \times 10^{-3} \end{array}$
Cobalt (27)	Co 58		1×10^{-3}
	Co 60		5 × 10-4
Copper (29)	Cu 64		3×10^{-3}
Dysprosium (66)	Dy 165		4 × 10-3
DJ Sprosium (00)	Dy 166		4 × 10-4
Erbium (68)	Er 169		9 × 10-4
2.0.2 (00)	Er 171		1×10^{-3}

TABLE 2—(Continue⁴) EXEMPT CONCENTRATIONS

Element (atomic number)		Isotope	Column I Gas con- centration uCi/ml*	Column 2 Liquid and solid con- centration uCi/ml**
Europium (63)		152 1/2 = 9 2		6 × 10 ⁻⁴
	`	Hrs)		
	Eu	155		2×10^{-3}
Fluorine (9)	F	18	2×10^{-6}	8×10^{-3}
Gadolinium (64)	Gd	153		2×10^{-3}
, ,	Gd	159		8×10^{-4}
Gallium (31)	Ga	72		4×10^{-4}
Germanium (32)	Ge	71		2×10^{-2}
Gold (79)	Au	196		2×10^{-3}
(1)	Au	198		5×10^{-4}
	Au	199		2×10^{-3}
Hafnium (72)	Hf	181		7×10^{-4}
Hydrogen (1)	Н	3	5×10^{-6}	3×10^{-2}
Indium (49)	In	113m		1×10^{-2}
	In	114m		2×10^{-4}
Iodine (53)	I	126	3×10^{-9}	2×10^{-5}
	I	131	3×10^{-9}	2×10^{-3}
	I	132	8×10^{-1}	6×10^{-4}
	I	133	1×10^{-1}	7×10^{-3}
	I	134	2×10^{-7}	1×10^{-3}
Indium (77)	Ir	190		2×10^{-3}
	Ir	192		4×10^{-4}
	Ir	194		3×10^{-4}
Iron (26)	Fe	55		8×10^{-3}
2.0 (20)	Fe	59		6×10^{-6}
Krypton (36)	Kr	85m	1 × 10 ⁻⁶	
	Kr	85	3×10^{-6}	
Lanthanum (57)	La	140		2×10^{-4}
Lead (82)	Pb	203		4×10^{-1}
Lutetium (71)	Lu	177		1×10^{-1}
Manganese (25)	Mı	n 52		3×10^{-6}
	Mi	n 54		1×10^{-1}
	M	n 56		1×10^{-1}
Mercury (80)	H	197m		2×10^{-1}
• •		197		3×10^{-1}
		203		2×10^{-4}

TABLE 2—(Continued) EXEMPT CONCENTRATIONS

Element (atomic number)	ı	I sotope	Column 1 Gas con- centration uCi/ml*	Column 2 Liquid and solid con- centration uCi/ml**
Molybdenum (42)	Mo			2 × 10 ⁻³
Neodymium (60)	Nd			6×10^{-4}
	Nd			3×10^{-1}
Nickel (28)	N ₁	65		1×10^{-3}
Niobium				
(Columbium)(41)	Nb 9	95		1×10^{-3}
	Nb 9			9×10^{-3}
Osmium (76)	Os :	185		7×10^{-4}
	Os	191m		3×10^{-2}
	Os	191		2×10^{-3}
	Os 1	193		6×10^{-4}
Palladıum (46)	Pd 1	103		3×10^{-3}
	Pd 1	109		9×10^{-4}
Phosphorus (32)	P 3	32		2×10^{-4}
Platinum (78)	Pt 1	191		1×10^{-3}
	Pt 1	193m		1×10^{-2}
	Pt 1	197m		1×10^{-2}
	Pt 1	197		1×10^{-3}
Polonium (84)	Po 2	210	2×10^{-10}	7×10^{-6}
Potassium (19)	K 4	12		3×10^{-3}
Praseodymium (59)	Pr 1	142		3×10^{-4}
• , ,	Pr 1	143		5×10^{-4}
Promethium (61)	Pm 1	147		2×10^{-3}
,	Pm 1			4×10^{-4}
Radium (88)	Ra 2		1×10^{-11}	1×10^{-7}
(-1,	Ra 2		2 × 10 ⁻¹¹	3×10^{-7}
Rhenium (75)	Re 1	183		6×10^{-3}
(,,,	Re 1			9×10^{-4}
	Re 1			6×10^{-4}
Rhodium (45)	Rh 1			1×10^{-1}
· (· - ,	Rh 1			1×10^{-3}
Rubidium (37)	Rb 8			7×10^{-4}
Ruthenium (44)	Ru 9			4×10^{-3}
· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	Ru I			8 × 10 ⁻⁴
	Ru 1			1×10^{-3}
	Ru 1			1 × 10-4
Samarium (62)	Sm 1			8 × 10 ⁻⁴

TABLE 2—(Continued) EXEMPT CONCENTRATIONS

Element (atomic number)	I sotope	Column 1 Gas con- centration uCi/ml*	Column 2 Liquid and solid con- centration uCi/ml**
Scandium (21)	Sc 46		4 × 10 ⁻⁴
	Sc 47		9×10^{-4} 3×10^{-4}
	Sc 48		3×10^{-3}
Selenium (34)	Se 75 Si 31		9×10^{-3}
Silicon (14)	Ag 105		1×10^{-3}
Silver (47)	Ag 110m		3×10^{-4}
	Ag 111		4×10^{-4}
Sodium (11)	Na 24		2×10^{-3}
Strontium (38)	Sr 85		1×10^{-3}
S. C.	Sr 89		1×10^{-4}
	Sr 91		7×10^{-4}
	Sr 92		7×10^{-4}
Sulfur (16)	S 35	9×10^{-8} .	6 × 10-4
Tantalum (73)	Ta 182		4 × 10 ⁻⁴
Technetium (43)	Tc 96m		1×10^{-1} 1×10^{-1}
	Tc 96		$\frac{1 \times 10^{-1}}{2 \times 10^{-1}}$
Tellurium (52)	Te 125m		6×10^{-4}
	Te 127m		3 × 10 ⁻¹
	Te 127 Te 129m		3 × 10-
	Te 131m		6 × 10-
	Te 131111		3 × 10-
Terbium (65)	Tb 160		4 × 10
Thallium (81)	Tl 200		4×10^{-3}
manium (61)	Tl 201		$3 \times 10^{-}$
	Tl 202		1 × 10
	Tl 204		1 × 10
Thulium (69)	Tm 170		5 × 10
	Tm 171		5×10^{-1}
Tin (50)	Sn 113		$\begin{array}{c} 9 \times 10^{-} \\ 2 \times 10^{-} \end{array}$
	Sn 125		$\frac{2 \times 10^{-10}}{4 \times 10^{-10}}$
Tungsten (Wolfram) (74)	W 181 W 187		7×10^{-1}
Vanaduum (22)	W 187		3×10^{-3}
Vanadium (23) Xenon (54)	Xe 131m	4×10^{-6}	
Action (34)	Xe 133	3×10^{-6}	
	Xe 135	1 × 10 ⁻⁶	

TABLE 2—(Continued) **EXEMPT CONCENTRATIONS**

Element (atomic number)	Isotope	Column 1 Gas con- centration µCi/ml*	Column 2 Liquid and solid con- centration µCi/ml**
Ytterbium (70) Yttrium (39) Zinc (30) Zirconium (40)	Yb 175 Y 90 Y 91m Y 91 Y 92 Y 93 Zn 65 Zn 69m Zn 69 Zr 95 Ar 97		$ \begin{array}{ccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccc$
Alpha-emitting radioac other than special transuranic materia above Beta and/or gamma-enactive material not with half-life less tha	nuclear and land land land lasted mitting radio-	1×10^{-12} 1×10^{-10}	1 × 10 ⁻⁶

NOTES

••uc/gm for solids Note 1 Many radionuclides disintegrate into daughter products which are also radio active In expressing the concentrations in Table 2 the activity stated is that of the parent radionuclide and takes into account the daughter products

Note 2 For the purposes of section 38 41, Table 1, Exemption 2 of this Part (rule) where there is present a combination of radionuclides, the limit for the combination

shall be derived as follows (a) Determine for each radionuclide present the following quotient Set the numer ator equal to the concentration of the radionuclide present and the denominator equal to the exempt concentration listed in Table 2 The sum of such quotients shall not ex ceed "one"

Example

Concentration of Radionuclide A present Exempt concentration of Radionuclide A Concentration of Radionuclide B present Exempt concentration of Radionuclide B

Values are given for those materials normally used as gases